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Amendment #04-08

Mr. Ross Chittenden State of California Department of Transportation Transportation Programming, MS-82 1120 "N" Street Sacramento, CA 94274-0001

ATTENTION: Abhijit Bagde

RE: AMENDMENT #04-08 TO THE 2004 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (RTIP)

Dear Nr/Chittenden:

Under authority granted to me by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Regional Council, I hereby approve and transmit amendment #04-08 for projects in Orange, San Bernardino, and Ventura counties. This amendment:

- Is consistent with the adopted 2004 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP): and
- Does not affect the regional emissions analysis for the RTIP;
- Does not affect the timely implementation of the Transportation Control Measures;
- Does not adversely impact financial constraint.

Furthermore, under authority granted to me by the SCAG Regional Council I hereby approve the reaffirmation of the conformity findings for all federal non-attainment and maintenance areas in the SCAG region. The conformity findings for both the 2004 RTP and the 2004 RTIP are reaffirmed for all applicable pollutants, including regional emissions analyses, financial constraint test, timely implementation of Transportation Control Measures (TCMs) report, applying the use of the latest planning assumptions and the latest approved emissions model, reaffirming consistency between the adopted 2004 RTIP and the adopted 2004 RTP, and reaffirming the process for interagency consultation and public participation.

In addition to reaffirming the already conducted public involvement and interagency consultation test for the 2004 RTP/RTIP, amendment #07 underwent the process for interagency consultation and public participation.

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Therefore, SCAG, as the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), has found the attached projects to conform to the applicable State Implementation Plan and to be consistent with the 2004 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

This reaffirmation of the conformity determination for amendment #8 will be transmitted to the Federal Transit Administration and the Federal Highway Administration to make the final conformity determination in accordance with the Federal Clean Air Act and EPA Transportation Conformity Rule at 40 CFR Parts 51 and 93.

If you have any questions, please contact Rosemary Ayala of my staff at (213) 236-1927 or via e-mail at ayala@scag.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Mark A. Pisano

Executive Director

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